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Major Drug Investigation in Columbia Results in 37 Arrests or Indictments

The Howard County Police Department is announcing the results of a major drug investigation in Columbia that resulted in the arrest or indictment of 37 suspects. The announcement concludes "Operation Clean Sweep," an 18-month investigation into the sale and distribution of cocaine, crack cocaine and firearms in Columbia and surrounding areas.

Operation Clean Sweep began in August 2002 as an effort to investigate the sale of illegal drugs and associated violent crime in Columbia. Investigators identified several sources providing large quantities of drugs to dealers in the area.

Investigators from the Vice and Narcotics Division infiltrated communities throughout Columbia by posing as drug dealers and users. The detectives used electronic surveillance, informants and intelligence information to identify suspects in the case.

The first phase of Operation Clean Sweep ended in June 2003 with the arrests or indictments of 18 individuals for felony drug charges. Investigators immediately initiated a second phase to prepare for the void that would be created by the arrests of those drug dealers. The detectives remained active in the community and charged an additional 19 people in recent months.

Throughout the investigation, Howard County investigators were supported by detectives from the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) and the Baltimore County Police Department.

During Operation Clean Sweep, detectives seized drugs with a street value of more than \$100,000 and 20 vehicles.

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The following is a list of suspects charged during Operation Clean Sweep:

PHASE I:

NAME	DOB	CITY OF RESIDENCE
*George Alford Johnson	08-08-75	Columbia, MD
*Claudy Jules	05-11-83	Columbia, MD
*William Conway	12-25-68	Columbia, MD
Vincent Harding	10-01-80	Baltimore, MD
David Morris	05-08-73	Baltimore, MD
*Greg Shipman	12-13-70	Columbia, MD
Darien McNair	10-03-80	Columbia, MD
Roberto Brathwaite	04-22-80	Elkridge, MD
Glenn Flanagan	10-01-81	Columbia, MD
Paul Sherrill	02-20-81	Columbia, MD
Sean Johnson	06-03-68	Columbia, MD
James Xavier Wright	07-31-79	Columbia, MD
Rashid Proctor	02-17-77	Annapolis, MD
Samuel Gregory	12-18-79	Glen Burnie, MD
James Myers	08-01-74	Columbia, MD
Manuel Naranjo	03-07-61	Columbia, MD

PHASE II:

Antwan Dominique Holland	06-20-82	Elkridge, MD
Duane Mack McGregor	01-08-62	Columbia, MD
Tayvian Turrell Arrington	03-05-85	Columbia, MD
Robert Lee Burgess	12-03-83	Columbia, MD
Damien Dickerson-El	04-20-79	Columbia, MD
Troy Bernell Myers	11-11-85	Columbia, MD
Craig Joseph Nicholson	02-05-81	Columbia, MD
Jamal Rashad Wilson	03-20-79	Columbia, MD
Juanita Michele Nias	09-12-67	Columbia, MD
Brian Lamont Nicholson	10-25-80	Columbia, MD
Jennifer C. Hart	11-13-60	Columbia, MD
Dominic Levar Burgess	07-26-83	Baltimore, MD
**Michael Raynard Roary	03-26-84	Baltimore, MD
**Julius Joelsa Hart	11-04-85	Columbia, MD
**Cory Renard Tomlin	03-24-83	Columbia, MD
**Robert Joseph Manning	07-15-80	Jessup, MD
Varnez Nicholson	09-12-67	Columbia, MD
Romero Lamont Hall	05-22-77	Columbia, MD
Aubrey Noble Nicholson	10-09-60	Columbia, MD

*Denotes subjects indicted federally.

**Denotes subjects indicted, but not yet arrested.

Note: Two additional suspects have been indicted, but not yet arrested. Their names will be released following arrest.

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